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William B. Hoyt II Visitor Center and Mount Morris Dam host Open House

BUFFALO, N.Y. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Buffalo District will host an Open House at the William B. Hoyt II Visitor Center at Mount Morris Dam Saturday, May 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Open House will gather 15 local and regional organizations together for an overview of the tremendous education and recreation opportunities for the coming summer season in the area.

Partners participating for the day include: Letchworth State Park, Genesee Chapter of the Audubon Society, Finger Lakes Trail Conference, Friends of the Genesee Valley Greenway, Genesee Valley BOCES, Genesee Valley Council on the Arts, Business

Education Alliance, Canyon Camera Club, Friends of Letchworth State Park, Letchworth State Park Police, Livingston County Chamber of Commerce, Livingston County Tourism, Livingston County Junior Achievement, Mount Morris Chamber of Commerce, and New York Project Wild.

"this will be our 3rd annual Open House and hope that the public will come out and support this year's program and learn about the all the great work and projects these organizations are doing this year," said Patricia Hixon, park manager. "We have grown in partners again this year and have planned activities for those who bring their children. The day will be a great way to meet and see the terrific opportunities that our local partners offer for the community. We look forward to seeing all our friends and to meet new friends who have never been out to the William B. Hoyt II Visitor Center."

Special day programming includes:

8:00 - 9:30 Genesee Audubon Society - outdoor nature and warbler walk

10:00 - 2:00 Partner information tables

12:30 - 1:15 Audubon Program – Turkey Vultures

2:00 Finger Lake Trails – walk on the Letchworth Branch of the FLT

3:00 Corps of Engineers Dam Tour

The Genesee Audubon Society retail store and Audubon Nature Center will be open all day and will be offering children's activities for the young and old (with young hearts) alike.

All programs and tours at Mount Morris Dam are free and open to the public. Visitor Center hours are Monday through Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m until Memorial Day when the center will begin its summer hours of operation. The visitor center is located off State Route 408, two miles south of Mount Morris. For further information about this program check our website at "http://www.lrb.usace.army.mil" or to schedule a tour of Mount Morris Dam, contact the Visitor Center at 585-658-4790.